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The SMA operates a placement service for graduates of its school in Königswusterhausen, according to the statements of a young woman who recently completed the course given there and has since been teaching at the SED county school in Altenburg, Thuringia. When required to resign this position because of youth and lack of experience, she was offered two others, the first in the SMA Economic Division (Wirtschaftsabteilung), the second as a clerk in the SMA Denazification Division (Entnazifizierungsabteilung). The interview for the latter opening was conducted by a Major Baranov, who proposed a beginning salary of three hundred marks, in addition to free meals during working hours and special grants of food. In outlining the functions of the Denazification Division, Major Baranov emphasized that it is not an actual denazification commission, but rather a research bureau for the investigation of former party members who are under consideration for employment by the SMA or the SED, or who should be interned and sentenced as war criminals.

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